

Fellow Department of Energy Employees:

I am humbled and honored to begin my service today as Secretary of Energy, working for President Obama and the American people as we tackle the enormous challenges and opportunities before us.

Yesterday, President Obama asked all Americans to join him in this effort, but the hardworking and talented Federal and contractor employees at the Department of Energy have a special and important role to play. I will be relying on your guidance, your ideas, your expertise, and your outstanding work as we face the challenges ahead – and look forward to working with all of you to achieve significant results for the American people.

In the coming days, I will be meeting as many of you in person as I can. But tomorrow, Thursday, January 22, at 1:00 p.m. eastern time, I will be hosting a DOE-wide broadcast to discuss President Obama's bold agenda to meet our Nation's energy challenges – as well as the role we will play together in making that agenda happen.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Steven Chu
Secretary
U.S. Department of Energy